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Sir:

A Certificate of Correction under 35 U.S.C. 254 is hereby requested to correct Patent Office printing errors in the above-identified patent. Enclosed herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction (Form No. PTO-1050) and documentation in support of the proposed corrections for consideration.

It is requested that the Certificate of Correction be completed and mailed at an early date to the undersigned attorney of record. The proposed corrections are obvious ones and do not in any way change the sense of the application.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In Column 2, line 53, please delete "are lay" and insert - -a relay- -

In Column 14, line 48, please delete "chase" and insert - -phase- -

In Column 14, line 58, please delete "chase" and insert - -phase- -.

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the signal transmission qualities could not be completely solved.

Summary of the Invention

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The present invention has been made to solve the above-explained problems, and therefore, has an object to provide such a relay apparatus capable of firmly removing a loop wave contained in a received input signal by correcting both an amplitude error and a phase error, which are contained in a duplicated loop signal, and also capable of maintaining transmission qualities under better condition.

To solve the above-described problems, according to a first aspect of the present invention, a relay apparatus equipped with a function capable of canceling loop operation of a signal between a reception antenna and a transmission antenna, comprising: subtracting unit for subtracting a duplicated loop signal from a received input signal which is produced by containing loop waves in a desirable wave received via the reception antenna; relay broadcasting unit for inputting the output signal of the subtracting unit and for outputting a broadcasting signal; signal processing unit for producing the duplicated loop signal based upon any one of the input signal of said relay broadcasting unit and the broadcasting signal outputted from the relay broadcasting unit; and variable attenuating unit for varying a signal level of the duplicated

- an error rate measuring unit for measuring an error
- rate of said broadcasting signal which is demodulated by
- 25 said receiving/demodulating unit,
- wherein said variable attenuating unit adjusts the
- 27 signal level of said duplicated loop signal so that an
- 28 amplitude error of said duplicated loop signal is
- 29 corrected, and
- wherein said variable attenuating unit adjusts the
- 31 signal level of said duplicated loop signal in such a
- 32 manner that the error rate of said broadcasting signal
- measured by said error rate measuring unit becomes lower
- than, or equal to a predetermined value.
- Claim 7 (currently amended): A The relay apparatus as
- 2 claimed in claim 2, further equipped with a function
- 3 capable of canceling loop operation of a signal between a
- 4 reception antenna and a transmission antenna, comprising:
- 5 a subtracting unit for subtracting a duplicated loop
- 6 signal from a received input signal which is produced by
- 7 containing loop waves in a desirable wave received via said
- 8 reception antenna;
- 9 <u>a relay broadcasting unit for inputting the output</u>
- 10 signal of said subtracting unit and for outputting a
- 11 <u>broadcasting signal</u>;
- a signal processing unit for producing said duplicated
- 13 loop signal based upon any one of the input signal of said

- 14 relay broadcasting unit and the broadcasting signal
- outputted from said relay broadcasting unit;
- 16 <u>a variable phase shifting unit for varying a phase of</u>
- 17 said duplicated loop signal which is produced by said
- 18 signal processing unit;
- a receiving/demodulating unit for receiving said
- 20 broadcasting signal outputted from said relay broadcasting
- 21 unit and for demodulating said received broadcasting
- 22 signal; and
- an error rate measuring unit for measuring an error
- rate of said broadcasting signal which is demodulated by
- said receiving/demodulating unit,
- 26 _____wherein a said variable phase shifting unit adjusts
- 27 the phase of said duplicated loop signal so that a phase
- 28 error of said duplicated loop signal is corrected, and
- wherein said variable phase shifting unit adjusts the
- 30 phase of said duplicated loop signal in such a manner that
- 31 the error rate of said broadcasting signal measured by said
- 32 error rate measuring unit becomes lower than, or equal to
- 33 a predetermined value.